

almost ground for the assertion that the riparian proprietors of that river, so far as commerce is concerned, are landlocked. The Undersigned is not aware that any examination specially with a view to the feasibility of its opening, has been made on this part of the river; and as it formed no part of his instructions to investigate the subject, it has been only casually mentioned as connected with the matter, and with the means of gratifying the views and wishes of some who believe that the general interest of the State would be more advanced, and unity of feeling more cemented by the productions of the valley of the Pocomoke finding their natural market in Baltimore. The other navigable connexion, however, of the River with Pepper's creek, and thence with Indian river, which throws that portion of the peninsula, as position has already done the districts which lie more to the eastward, into the arms of Philadelphia, is, without doubt, from all that can be gathered, feasible within certain limits; and even should those limits be extended, would still present overbalancing advantages. It is believed that an examination was once had of the upper or spring portion of the river, and a line of levels run; but the Undersigned has been able to procure no satisfactory information as to the means made use of or the results obtained. A stock Company too has some time since, been formed in Delaware for the purpose of taking up the communication where the present examination will stop, and continuing along the route already indicated—by Pepper's creek into Indian river; whence, at present, the articles would be conveyed by sea to Philadelphia or New York. When the peculiar circumstances however of the navigability—it can hardly be called navigation—of that river, come to be understood, as a more full detail contained in the report of the Board of Commissioners on the Chesapeake and Lewes Canal will enable it to be, the reason of a remark made just now—as to the importance of the connexion of the improvement or Canal of the Pocomoke with the Lewes Canal—will be very obvious. The ill-conditioned, tedious and difficult transit across and along that river, is one of the very objects which the last mentioned canal is intended to remedy;—the execution of the Pocomoke and Indian river canal, would increase the number of sufferers, but not at all diminish the suffering from the awkward state of Indian river.

In concluding what has appeared proper to be said on this